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AMENDMENT WITH RCE

Dear Sir:

This communication is responsive to the outstanding final Official Action mailed July 7, 2009. A Notice of Appeal was submitted and received in the Patent Office on October 13, 2009. As such, this Amendment is submitted within three months from actual receipt of the Notice of Appeal by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, the shortened-statutory period for filing an Appeal Brief being extended by a one month extension of time that is filed herewith. Reconsideration and allowance of claims 1-12 in view of the following amendments and remarks are respectfully requested.